

WARRANT ARTICLES

2012 Deliberative Meeting and Town Elections

You are hereby notified to meet at the Prospect Mountain High School on Wednesday, the Eighth (8th) day of February in the year Two Thousand and Twelve (2012), beginning at seven (7:00) o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of deliberating upon the following Warrant Articles and the Town elections to approve the warrant articles by ballot vote which will be held on March 13, 2012 at the Prospect Mountain High School from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm:

ARTICLE 1 To choose all necessary Town Officers for which there are vacancies, for such terms as may be permitted by law; and to elect: one selectman for three years, one selectman for two years, one town clerk for three years, one tax collector for three years, one treasurer for three years, one trustee of trust funds for three years, one library trustee for three years, one library trustee for two years, one library trustee for one year, one moderator for two years, one cemetery trustee for three years, one water commissioner for three years, one water commissioner for two years, one water commissioner for one year, two budget committee members for three years, one budget committee member for one year, two planning board members for three years, one planning board member for two years, one supervisor of the checklist for six years and one zoning board member for three years.

ARTICLE 2: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 1** includes the following:

1. Amend **ARTICLE 200 DEFINITIONS** to add a definition of "Commercial Function Facility";
2. Amend **ARTICLE 400, Section 401 TABLE OF USES** by adding "Commercial Function Facility" to the Table of Uses as a use allowed by Special Exception in the Residential Commercial, Rural Residential, Rural, and Recreational Service Zones; and
3. Add a new **Section 334 Commercial Function Facility Review Criteria**.

RATIONALE:

A Commercial Function Facility currently is not a permitted use in the Alton Zoning Ordinance. The purpose of this amendment is to establish review criteria for the use and permit this use in several zones if a Special Exception is approved by the Zoning Board of Adjustment and a Site Plan Review is approved by the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 3: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 2:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 2** includes the following:

- A. To amend **Article 300, Section 320 – Nonconforming Uses** as follows:
 1. Amend subsection A, 3 to eliminate the ability to obtain a Special

Exception and require a Variance to change one nonconforming use to another nonconforming use;

2. To eliminate subsection A, 5 relative to repairing nonconforming structures due to similar language found in subsection B, 3;

3. To add a new subsection A, 5 to allow a nonconforming use destroyed by fire or natural disaster to be replaced within three years;

4. To add a new subsection A, 6. to allow by Special Exception "in kind replacement" of structures for a nonconforming use that are voluntarily removed;

5. To add a new subsection A, 7. to allow expansion of structures for nonconforming uses beyond existing building dimensions by Special Exception.

6. To amend subsection B, 2 by adding a new subparagraph (d) to not allow decks, porches or patios located within setbacks to be converted to living space;

7. To add a new subsection B, 4 to allow a nonconforming structure destroyed by fire or natural disaster to be replaced within three years; and

8. To add a new subsection B, 5. to allow by Special Exception "in kind replacement" of nonconforming structures that are voluntarily removed.

B. To amend **Article 200 Definitions** to add a definition of "repair".

RATIONALE:

The purpose of this amendment is to update the provisions for nonconforming uses and nonconforming structures.

Changes to the provisions for nonconforming uses would address changing from one nonconforming use to another nonconforming use, allowing replacement within 3 years of a nonconforming use destroyed by fire or natural disaster, allowing "in kind replacement" of a structure part of a nonconforming use that is voluntarily removed, and allowing expansion beyond existing building dimensions of a structure for a nonconforming use.

Changes to the provisions for nonconforming structures would address prohibiting decks, porches and patios located within setbacks to be converted to living space, allowing replacement within 3 years of a nonconforming structure destroyed by fire or natural disaster, and allowing "in kind replacement" of a nonconforming structure that is voluntarily removed.

ARTICLE 4: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 3** proposes to amend **Section 510 TERM, MEMBERSHIP, AUTHORITY, AND DUTIES** to reflect that the Zoning Board of Adjustment is an elected board and not appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

RATIONALE:

Currently the Zoning Ordinance reflects that the members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. At the March 14, 2006 Town Meeting, the voters approved a warrant article to have the Board of Adjustment members elected rather than appointed. This amendment will change the ordinance to reflect that the members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment are now elected rather than appointed.

ARTICLE 5: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 4:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 4** proposes to amend **SECTION 530 VARIANCES** to make the criteria for judging a variance consistent with RSA 674:33, I and recent court decisions.

RATIONALE:

The purpose of this amendment is to update the criteria used by the Zoning Board of Adjustment for judging a variance application. These criteria for judging a variance application needed to be revised to be consistent with the amended state legislation (RSA 674:33, I) and recent court decisions.

ARTICLE 6: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 5:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 5** proposes to amend **SECTION 520 SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS**, paragraph B. to revise the plat requirement to be submitted with a Special Exception application.

RATIONALE:

Presently the Ordinance requires a complete boundary survey of the property including bearings and distances for a Special Exception application. This is an expensive and, in most instances, unnecessary expense. This amendment proposes to require a property improvement survey in lieu of a complete boundary survey.

ARTICLE 7: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 6:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 6** proposes to amend provisions pertaining to accessory apartments as follows:

1. Delete **SECTION 452 D.**
2. Amend **ARTICLE 400 PERMITTED USES - TABLE OF USES** to:
 - a. Change Note on Accessory Apartment; and
 - b. Allow Accessory Apartment in R, RC, RR & RU Zones.
3. Amend **ARTICLE II DEFINITIONS** to add a definition of Accessory Apartment.
4. Add a new **SECTION 319 STANDARDS FOR ACCESSORY APARTMENTS**

RATIONALE:

Currently an accessory apartment is limited to one bedroom, can include no more than 750 square feet, must be located within the dwelling unit or an attached accessory structure, and is permitted only in the Rural (RU) Zone.

This amendment would allow for more opportunities for accessory apartments. This amendment would allow an accessory apartment to have up to two bedrooms, more floor space, and would allow the accessory apartment within the dwelling unit or within an attached or detached accessory structure. The amendment would allow an accessory apartment to be located in the Residential (R), Residential Commercial (RC), Rural Residential (RR), and Rural (RU) Zones.

ARTICLE 8: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 7:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 7** proposes to repeal **SECTION 380 IMPACT FEES** in its entirety.

RATIONALE:

Historically planning boards had the authority to assess developers their fair share contribution towards the cost of off-site improvements as a condition of site plan or subdivision approval. This authority was rescinded by the legislature when the impact fee legislation was passed. The use of impact fees in small towns is impractical because the legislation includes a "sunset" clause requiring the expenditure of the impact fees within six years of when they are collected or they must be returned to the developer. Small rural communities, particularly in slower economic conditions, simply do not collect enough impact fees to move forward with the capital projects for which they were collected and end up returning the fees. Recognizing that the impact fee system was not a practical approach in small rural towns like Alton, a few years later the legislature reestablished the authority for planning boards to assess developers their fair share contribution towards the cost of off-site improvements as a condition of site plan or subdivision approval.

ARTICLE 9: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 8:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 8** proposes to repeal all the provisions pertaining to Combined Dwelling and Business from the Ordinance and replace it with provisions for a Home Business. This would involve:

1. Amending **ARTICLE II DEFINITIONS** to:
 - a. Repeal the definition of Combined Dwelling and Business; and
 - b. Add a definition of a Home Business.
2. Amending **ARTICLE 400, SECTION 401 PERMITTED USES - TABLE OF USES** to:
 - a. Delete Combined Dwelling and Business from the Table of Uses; and
 - b. Add Home Business to the Table of Uses.
3. Adding a new **SECTION 333 CRITERIA FOR A HOME BUSINESS**.

RATIONALE:

The intent of this proposed amendment is to replace the provisions pertaining to Combined Dwelling and Business with provisions for a Home Business. Further this amendment will provide criteria for a Home Business to better clarify what is allowed under this use category and identify the zones where it is allowed.

ARTICLE 10: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 9:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 9** proposes to delete **SECTION 320**, Paragraph C., 3. Contiguous Nonconforming Lots in its entirety.

RATIONALE:

The legislature amended statutes (RSA 674:39-a Voluntary Merger) to indicate that no town may merge preexisting subdivided lots except upon the consent of the owner. **SECTION 320**, Paragraph C., 3. Contiguous Nonconforming Lots in the Zoning Ordinance requires an involuntary lot merger of contiguous nonconforming lots owned by the same entity. This involuntary lot merger provision is no longer allowed by the new legislation (RSA 674:39-a) and needs to be deleted.

ARTICLE 11: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 10:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 10** proposes to amend **ARTICLE 200 DEFINITIONS** to revise the definition of Seasonal Cabin.

RATIONALE:

The purpose of this amendment is to provide a more enforceable definition of a seasonal cabin and replace the current definition with the one that existed up until 2007.

ARTICLE 12: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 11:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No. 11** proposes to amend **ARTICLE 600, SECTION 602**, paragraph C, 1. to revise the standard pertaining to impervious lot coverage in the Aquifer Protection Overlay District.

RATIONALE:

Until very recently, the conventional approach to stormwater management was to collect and concentrate the stormwater and convey it off-site. Establishing a maximum lot coverage standard made sense when the goal was to try to manage the volume of stormwater moving downstream and to minimize downstream flooding.

The new approach to stormwater management is to treat the water at the source, dissipate into small treatment areas rather than collect and concentrate the runoff, and infiltrate the stormwater runoff for groundwater recharge. The new state standards call for no increase in volume or velocity of stormwater runoff leaving the property over historic flows. The state now requires the use of groundwater infiltration techniques as the first option for designing stormwater management plans. With the new approach to stormwater management, the goal has shifted to maximizing groundwater recharge through the implementation of infiltration techniques, both natural and mechanical, while maintaining the quality of the groundwater resource.

Alton's standard for a maximum impervious surface coverage was adopted in 1995 under the outdated conventional approach to stormwater management. With the shift in approach to maximizing groundwater infiltration and recharge without adversely impacting the quality of the groundwater resource, the maximum lot coverage standard is no longer needed.

ARTICLE 13: PLANNING BOARD PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE ALTON BUILDING CODE:

The **Planning Board's Amendment No.1** proposes to make the following major changes to the Alton Building Code:

1. Amend ARTICLE 2 - APPLICABLE CODES to use the International Code Council Codes as outlined in the State Building Code, RSA 155-A as amended, and designated National Fire Protection Agency Codes as outlined in the state Fire Code, Saf-c-3300 as amended; and
2. Amend ARTICLE 2 - APPLICABLE CODES to revise the local amendments to the State Building Code.

RATIONALE:

In addition to house keeping changes, the purpose of these amendments to the Building Code are to update the references to the applicable codes.

ARTICLE 14: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purposes of funding for Police Vehicle Capital Reserve and to raise and appropriate **Thirty Two Thousand Dollars (\$32,000.00)** to be placed into the Fund. This sum (\$32,000.00) to come from DEA Asset Forfeiture funds and no amount to be raised from taxation. Also to vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Police Vehicle Capital Reserve. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Committee (5-0) (A majority vote is required)]

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purposes of Fuel (gasoline, diesel, heating oil, kerosene and propane) overage coverage for all town departments and to raise and appropriate **Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)** to be placed into the Fund. Also to vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Fuel overage Fund. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Committee (5-0) (A majority vote is required)]

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate **Forty Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00)** to be placed into the Town Hall Building Improvement Capital Reserve fund as previously established. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00)** to be added to the Police Department Building Improvement Capital Reserve Fund as previously established. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Committee (6-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7500.00)** for the purpose of revising and updating the personnel & policy manual. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32: 7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2013. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)** to be added to the Sidewalk Capital reserve as previously established for the upgrade and maintenance of existings sidewalks. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00)** to be added to the Landfill Closure Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established. These funds are being used to deal with the contamination at the landfill and to meet the state regulatory requirements. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00)** to be placed in the Benefit Pay Expendable Trust Fund, as previously established. Said funds are recommended by the Town Auditors to be used to pay for benefits accrued by Town Employees and redeemed when they leave employment with the Town of Alton, in accordance with the Town Personnel Policy. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00)** to be added to the Building and Site Improvement Capital Reserve for the Transfer Station which also includes the EPA storm water management implementation requirements. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00)** to be added to the Recreation/Grounds Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established. The purpose of this Capital Reserve Fund is to fund maintenance equipment for the grounds, sidewalks, buildings and parks. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)** for the purpose of improving the Alton Bay Restrooms to meet current ADA accessibility standards and by siding the exterior. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00)** to be added to the Milfoil Capital Reserve fund. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (Majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00)** to be added to the Senior Center Pearson Road Capital Reserve Fund. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (Majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 27: Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling **Six Million One Hundred Sixty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ten Dollars (\$6,169,810.00)**. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Six Million Two Hundred Fifteen Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$6,215,600.00), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Alton or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13,

X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. [Appropriation recommended by the Board of Selectmen (4-0) and Budget Committee (6-0).

This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **One Hundred Thirty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Eight Dollars (\$134,748.00)** and to authorize the withdrawal of the \$134,748.00 from the Ambulance Operation Fund as previously established under RSA 31: 95c for the purpose of funding the ambulance personnel wages, ambulance supplies & equipment, training, and vehicle fuel/maintenance. This appropriation is covered by the revenue from the ambulance insurance payments and there will be no funds raised from general taxation. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0-1)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty Six Thousand Dollars (\$36,000.00)** for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a new or used command/utility vehicle for the Fire Department. This sum (\$36,000.00) to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from new taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0-1)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000)** to be added to the Alton Fire Station Capital Reserve Fund as previously established. . [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-0-1)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00)** to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund as previously established. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00)** to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00)** to be added to the Highway Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established. Said amount is partially offset by revenues from the Highway Block Grant Fund estimated to be \$167,077.25 is an annual appropriation that provides for the reconstruction of existing roadways. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is require)

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Six Dollars (\$8,996.00)** for the purpose of supporting the Community Action Program which provides supplemental food, fuel, utility, transportation, meals on wheels, weatherization assistance, Women, Infants and Children food assistance program (WIC). This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00)** for the purpose of supporting the Central New Hampshire VNA

& Hospice which is a non-profit agency that provides health care, hospice care and maternal child health services. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$2,215.00)** for the purpose of supporting the American Red Cross which provides disaster relief, shelters, basic household necessities and counseling. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and not recommended by the Budget Committee (3-2)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00)** for the purpose of supporting the Alton Community Services which provides a food pantry and assistance programs for fuel, prescriptions, utilities and housing in close coordination with the Alton Welfare Department. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (6-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Four Hundred Nine Dollars (\$409.00)** for the purpose of supporting the Medication Bridge Prescription Program which is a not for profit volunteer program that provides assistance to residents in need of prescriptions in coordination with the Alton Welfare Department. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00)** for the purpose of supporting the New Beginnings which provides 24 hour crisis support for domestic/sexual assault victims, operates a shelter and provides counseling. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation is recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Seventy Six Dollars (\$10,076.00)** for the purpose of supporting Genesis which provides mental health care to area residents, services for children, elders, along with other emergency services. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (3-2)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00)** for the purpose of supporting Caregivers Transportation which provides free transportation to handicapped, elderly and other residents needing assistance with all these services provided by volunteers. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)** for the purpose of supporting CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) which provides advocacy for abused and neglected children. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012.

[Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (5-0)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 43: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$2,400.00)** for the purpose of supporting Appalachian Mountain Teen Project. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-1)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 44: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00)** for the purpose of supporting Child & Family Services. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and by the Budget Committee (4-1)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 45: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)** for the purpose of supporting Greater Lakes Children Advisory Center. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st 2012. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen (5-0) and not recommended by the Budget Committee (4-1)] (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 46: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Conflict of Interest Ordinance by adding Article XIII to read as follows;

“No appointed or elected Board Member, Commissioner or Trustee shall be allowed to be hired for employment by the Board, Commission or Board of Trustees that they served on as an elected member of for at least two years after the date that their term of office ended or the date that their resignation became effective.” (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 47: To see if the town will vote to ratify an amendment to the current long term lease between the Town of Alton (lessor) and David & Amy Shibley (lessee) DBA Shibley’s at the Pier Inc. (lessee) for the land at the bay as described in the lease by extending the term of the lease by ten (10) years from 2015 to 2024. Also to amend the method of rent calculation from a flat 5% annual increase to a 2% minimum and a 5% maximum annual increase with the rate to be determined by the July Northeast CPI (Consumer Price Index) of each year starting in 2015. All other sections of the agreement will remain unchanged including the provision that all land and building taxes will be paid by the lessee. (A copy of the lease is available for review at the town clerk’s office) (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 48: We the undersigned registered voters in the Town of Alton, NH, hereby request that the following be placed as an article in the Alton, NH March 2012 town warrant.

“To see if the town will vote to rescind article 46 in the Alton town warrant of March 2011 which read “To see if the town will vote to increase the number of members of the Alton Water commission from 3 to 5 members. This change to become effective with the 2012 Town Meeting Elections (A majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 49: To hear any reports of any committee, board, trustees, commissions, officials, agents or concerned voters and to vote to accept the same. Furthermore, to conduct any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

UNDER SEAL OF THE TOWN and given under our hand on this the 26th day of January 2012,
the Alton Board of Selectmen. ATTEST:

David Hussey, Chairman_____

Loring Carr, Vice Chairman _____

Stephan McMahon, Selectman_____

Peter Bolster, Selectman_____

Cydne Johnson, Selectman _____

